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INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS TO THE 2012 AFRICAN JUNIOR U20 CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. INVITATION

Under the auspices of the African Chess Union, **Federation Tunisienne des Echecs** (FTE) has the honor of inviting African Federations affiliated to FIDE to participate in the 2012 African Junior U20 Open Chess Championship and African Junior U20 Girls' Chess Championship.



2. Venue and Dates

The 2012 African Junior U20 Chess Championships will be held from the **23th December 2012 (arrival) to First January 2013 (departure)** at one hotel in Tunis, the Capital of Tunisia.

3. Participants' Criteria and Accommodation Costs

In accordance with FIDE regulations, entitled participants are those players born **on or after 1st January 1992**.

The tournament will be played in two sections, namely an open event and a girl's event. The host federation will provide full board and lodging for two players, one boy and one girl, from each FIDE affiliated African National Federation.

Additional players may be accepted on application subject to a maximum of 4 players per federation in each category. Additional players will be held responsible for payment of **€ 70.00 (seventy Euros) per person per day for meals and accommodation**. Officials and accompanying persons from participating federations as well as friends and relations wishing to live at the official chess resort, are welcome upon payment of **€75.00 (seventy five Euros) per person per day for meals and accommodation**, subject to confirmation of accommodation on a first come first served basis.

Please be advised that players and officials are required to stay at the playing venue.

All fees should be paid into the **FTE** account by **23 October 2012**, the account details of which are indicated below.

4. FIDE/ACU Fees

In accordance with FIDE regulations an **entry fee** of **€70 (seventy Euros)** is required for each invited player (one boy and one girl). Additional players are required to pay an entry fee of **€140 (one hundred and forty Euros)**.

Federations are responsible for paying the entry fees for each of their players. All fees should be paid into the FTE account by **23 October 2012**, the account details of which are indicated below.

5. Registration

A **registration fee** of **€100.00 per player** will be payable in advance into the **FTE bank** account, the details of which are indicated below. The deadline for registration is **23 October 2012**. Players will not be paired until all the payments are effected to the organisers. After this date **a penalty of €50.00 (fifty Euros)** for each late registration will be charged to participants. However, organisers reserve the right to decline late registrations.

BANKING DETAILS:

Account Name: FEDERATION TUNISIE DES ECHECS
Bank: BANK INTERNATIONAL ARABE DE TUNISIE -BIAT
AGENCE HAMMAM – LIF
Account Number: TN59 0801 9011 0220 03570033

Swift Code: BIATTNTT

When making payment, please use the reference: AJ, your Federation code, surname (for example: **AJRTUNCHESS** meaning **African Juniors, TUNISIA**, player name).

A copy of the deposit slip or letter from the Federation's Treasurer as proof of payment to **FTE** must accompany the player(s) to the venue as well as faxed to (+216 71 420 851), or emailed to tcf@ati.tn

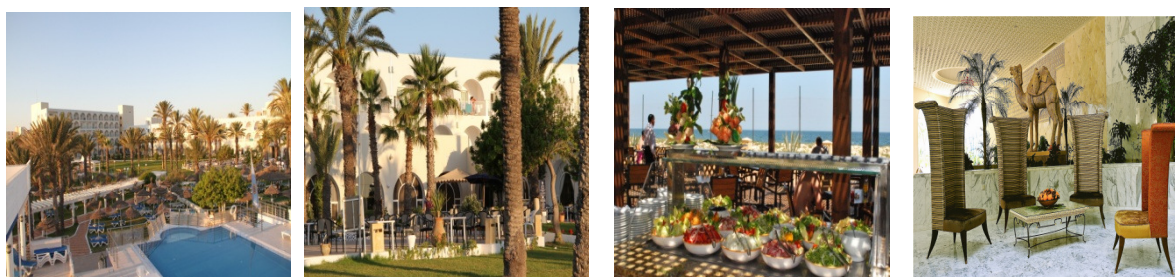
No participant shall be allowed to take part in the event without full payment of all fees.

6. Travel Arrangements

The cost of traveling to Tunis and returning home again is for the personal account of the participants. The hosts shall meet the participants and accompanying persons at the Tunis Carthage Airport, provided that full flight details, including arrival times, is completed in writing on the accompanying entry form, by no later than **23 November 2012**. Transport from the Airport to the Hotel and back is included in the registration fee.

7. Board and Lodging

All information about Hotel will be given as soon as possible



8. Tournament Regulations, Tie break and Appeals committee

It is intended that the Championships will be played in accordance with FIDE regulations on a 9 Round Swiss System basis with a free day after the fourth round. However, should the number of participants be around twelve, the tournament can be adjusted to a Round Robin (all-play-all) event.

The games will be played using BHB Digital chess clocks.

The rate of play will be in accordance with the FIDE rules: 90 minutes, with an addition of 30 seconds per move starting from move one (Fisher System).

9. Proposed Playing Schedule for 9 Round Swiss System Format

Day 1:	23 Dec 2012	-	Arrival of Delegates
		-	18.00 Official Opening
Day 2:	24 Dec 2012	-	09.00 Technical Meeting
		-	15.00 Round 1
Day 3:	25 Dec 2012	-	09.00 Round 2
		-	16.00 Round 3
Day 4:	26 Dec 2012	-	09.00 Round 4

Day 5: 27 Dec 2012	-	Free Day: Carthage- Sidi Bou Said- Medina
Day 6: 28 Dec 2012	-	09.00 Round 5
Day 7: 29 Dec 2012	-	09.00 Round 6
	-	16.00 Round 7
Day 8: 30 Dec 2012	-	09.00 Round 8
Day 9: 31 Dec 2012	-	09.00 Round 9
	-	18.00 Prize Giving Ceremony
Day 10: first Jan 2013	-	Departure

10. Local Currency

The local currency is the Tunisian Dinar (TND), which currently stands at an exchange rate of 01 EUR = 2 TND or 01 USD = 1.5 TND. Visitors are advised to change any foreign exchange through the banks or foreign exchange bureaus, which are readily found. Banks open every day except on Sundays. Visitors are advised to use the local currency for all transactions.

11. Visas

Delegates from other countries, who require entry visas into South Africa, may obtain them from Tunisian Embassies. The host Federation will arrange for official invitations to facilitate applications for those countries that need special invitations. Should there be any problems in obtaining entry visas, the intending travelers should immediately contact the FTE, for assistance either by phone on + 216 71 782 768 or email tcf@ati.tn

It is advisable that this invitation letter be carried by players when crossing through Tunisia borders as this may help in having many questions answered.

12. Appeals' Committee

The Appeals' Committee will consist of 5 members and 2 reserves chosen from among the participating delegations.

13. Registration Form

The closing date for entries is **23th September 2012**.

Kindly e-mail the attached completed registration forms, flight details and proof of payment to tcf@ati.tn or fax the forms to +216 71 420 851.

We look forward to hosting you and wish all of the participants a pleasant stay and a successful tournament.

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